

## SACRED HEART RETREAT CENTER

Registration is now open for guided silent retreats  
at Sacred Heart Retreat Center!

Weeklong and weekend options are available for both men and women.  
Go to [shrcburlington.org](http://shrcburlington.org) or call 262-661-4083 to register.



## 2026 OFFERTORY ENVELOPES

Don't forget to pick up your Offertory Envelopes  
**TODAY** after Mass in the vestibule.

Envelopes will not be mailed to individual locations.

## 2026 INSTITUTE OF CHRIST THE KING CALENDARS

Institute calendars are available in the vestibule  
for a free will donation.

Please place your donation in the collection basket.

## CHRISTMAS GIFT FOR THE ALTAR

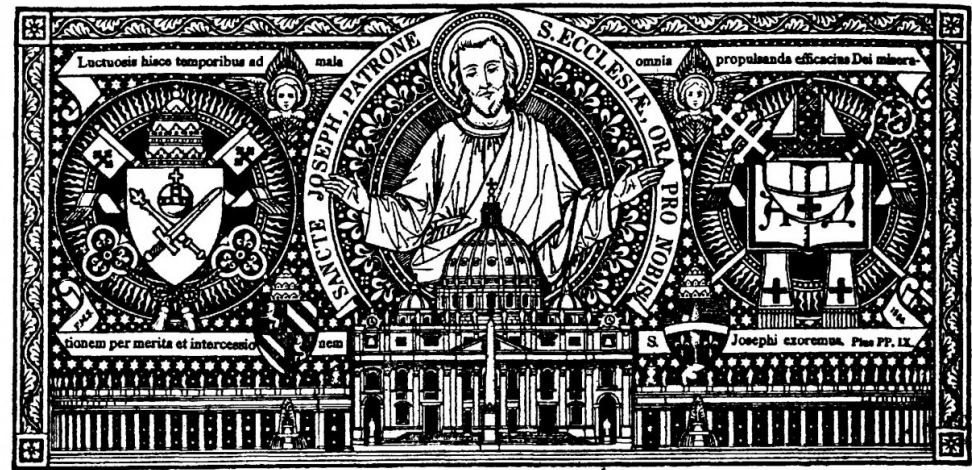
Dear Faithful,

As we have done in years past, we will renew this year our annual custom of offering a liturgical gift to the altar. Once the donations have been collected we will determine the new gift.

Please make your offering using the envelopes made available in your collection envelope boxes.

Thank you so much for your generosity!

Rev. Canon David Le



## SAINT JOSEPH ORATORY

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**Sunday, December 7<sup>th</sup>, 2025**  
**Second Sunday of Advent**

### Introit

People of Sion, behold the Lord shall come to save the nations; and the Lord shall make the glory of His voice to be heard, in the joy of your heart.

O Shepherd of Israel, hearken, O Guide of the flock of Joseph!

Glory be to the Father . . .

People of Sion, behold the Lord . . .

### Collect

Stir up our hearts, O Lord, to prepare the ways of Thy only-begotten Son, so that through His coming we may be able to serve Thee with purified minds. Through our Lord . . .

### Epistle

*Romans 15:4-13*

Brethren: Whatever things have been written have been written for our instruction, that through the patience and the consolation afforded by the Scriptures we may have hope. May then the God of patience and of comfort grant you to be of one mind towards one another according to Jesus Christ; that, one in spirit, you may with one mouth glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ. Wherefore receive one another, even as Christ has received you to the honor of God. For I say that Christ Jesus has been a minister of

the circumcision in order to show God's fidelity in confirming the promises made to our fathers, but that the Gentiles glorify God because of His mercy, as it is written, Therefore will I praise You among the Gentiles, and will sing to Your name. And again He says, Rejoice, you Gentiles, with His people. And again, Praise the Lord, all you Gentiles; and sing His praises, all you peoples. And again Isaias says, There shall be the root of Jesse, and He Who shall arise to rule the Gentiles... in Him the Gentiles shall hope. Now may the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, that you may abound in hope and in the power of the Holy Spirit.

#### **Gradual & Alleluia**

From Sion, perfect in beauty, God shines forth. Gather His faithful ones before Him, those who have made a covenant with Him by sacrifice. Alleluia, alleluia. I rejoiced because they said to me: We will go up to the house of the Lord. Alleluia.

#### **Gospel**

*Matthew 11:2-10*

At that time, when John had heard in prison of the works of Christ, he sent two of his disciples to say to Him, Are You He Who is to come, or shall we look for another? And Jesus answering said to them, Go and report to John what you have heard and seen: the blind see, the lame walk, the lepers are cleansed, the deaf hear, the dead rise, the poor have the gospel preached to them. And blessed is he who is not scandalized in Me. Then, as they went away, Jesus began to say to the crowds concerning John, What did you go out to the desert to see? A reed shaken by the wind? But what did you go out to see? A man clothed in soft garments? Behold, those who wear soft garments are in the houses of kings. But what did you go out to see? A prophet? Yes, I tell you, and more than a prophet. This is he of whom it is written, 'Behold, I send my messenger before Your face, who shall make ready Your way before You.'

#### **Offertory**

Will Thou not, O God, give us life; and shall not Thy people rejoice in Thee? Show us, O Lord, Thy kindness, and grant us Thy salvation.

#### **Secret**

Be appeased, we beseech Thee, O Lord, by the prayers and offerings of our human frailty, and where the support of our own merits is lacking, come to our assistance with Thy protection. Through our Lord . . .

#### **Communion**

Up, Jerusalem! stand upon the heights; and behold the joy that comes to you from your God.

#### **Postcommunion**

May we receive Thy mercy, O Lord, in the midst of Thy temple, and thus prepare with due observance for the coming festal season of our redemption. Through our Lord . . .

#### **BURSAR'S BOX**

Sunday, November 30th: \$ 2, 780.00

**Total for the Month of November: \$ 19, 697.00**

**Please make checks payable to "Institute of Christ the King" with  
*Oratory on the memo line.***

All checks made out to "Our Lady of Czestochowa" are given to the Salvatorian Fathers. By order of the bishop, **\$1200/ week** is given in rent to the Salvatorian Fathers.

**Thank you for your generosity!**

#### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

- **Monday, December 8th**: Feast of the Immaculate Conception. Holy Day of Obligation, Mass at 6:30pm, preceded by the Act of Consecration to Our Lady of the Immaculate Conception. A plenary indulgence may be gained under the usual conditions. Patroness of the Institute of Christ the King Sovereign Priest.
- **Sunday, December 14th**: Second Sunday of the Month. "Blessing Sunday." Blessings of religious articles after Holy Mass.

#### **ST. JOSEPH SUPPER CLUB**

St. Joseph Supper Club is open to all single adults (18+) and couples who would like an easy, structured way to get to know fellow parishioners better. Participants will be assigned in small groups who take turns hosting one another for meals.

For more information and to sign up, please email Augusta Taylor at [stjosephsupperclub@outlook.com](mailto:stjosephsupperclub@outlook.com). Deadline for participation in the January-April 2026 cycle is Sunday, December 21.